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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE**  
**STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(c))**

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Dear Sir:

The items of information listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) because it is being submitted before the mailing date of any of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1), each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in communications from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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Also enclosed are copies of an EPO Brief Communication dated July 27, 2009 and an Opposition Brief by Bayer MaterialScience dated July 15, 2009 in German, along with an English translation, which are the communications referred to above.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, with the next official communication.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of  
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Enclosures: EPO Brief Communication  
Opposition Brief by Bayer MaterialScience